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In re Application of:

Michael S. H. Chu et al.

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Examiner: Ann Y Lam

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Group Art Unit: 3763

For: SPLIT VALVE FOR PEEL-AWAY SHEATH

Docket No.: 1001.1258101

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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By Kathleen L. Boekley
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Dear Sir:

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the above-identified application.

SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

Applicants submit and request consideration of the Amendment filed herewith. Also enclosed is a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time, thus extending the period for response to May 28, 2003.

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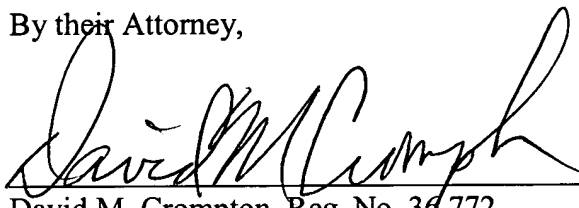
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Respectfully submitted,

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